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**Gloria M. Navarro Confirmed as
Federal District Judge for Nevada**

SAN FRANCISCO – The United States Senate has confirmed President Obama’s nomination of Gloria M. Navarro, a chief deputy district attorney in Clark County, Nevada, to serve as a district judge on the U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada.

Ms. Navarro was confirmed May 5 by a unanimous vote of the Senate. She is expected to receive her commission shortly and will fill a judgeship left vacant by the resignation of District Judge Brian E. Sandoval on September 15, 2009.

Ms. Navarro was nominated by President Obama on December 24, 2009. She had her hearing before the Senate Judiciary Committee on February 11, 2010 and was reported favorably out of committee on March 4, 2010.

Ms. Navarro has been chief deputy district attorney for Clark County since 2005, where she represents the county in civil litigation. Prior to that she served as deputy special public defender from 2001 to 2004. Ms. Navarro engaged in private practice in Las Vegas from 1996 to 2001.

A Las Vegas native, Ms. Navarro received her B.A. from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas in 1989 and her J.D. in 1992 from Arizona State University, where she received an academic scholarship from 1989 to 1992.

Ms. Navarro received the Louis Weiner Pro Bono Service Award in 2001 from the Nevada Legal Services and the Access to Justice Award in 2002 from the State Bar of Nevada. She has been a member of the Latino Bar Association since 2000 and served as its president from 2008 to 2009. Ms. Navarro also served as an advisory board member for Youth Advocate Programs, Inc., since 2007.

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The U.S. District Court for the District of Nevada had 3,928 case filings in 2009. The court is authorized seven district judgeships.

District court judges, appointed under Article III of the Constitution, are nominated by the president, confirmed by the Senate and receive lifetime appointments based upon good behavior. Their current annual salary is \$174,000.

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